

(Staff Photo by Valerie Evenden)

PROPOSED POLICE STATION. Pontoon Beach Police Chief Chuck Ballew, left, and Mayor Glen Wilson display an architect's drawing of a proposed police administration building. The department shares the Village Hall with other village employees and lacks a secure place to keep offenders. Plans for the 10-room building now require state approval.

Village police station proposed

By Valerie Evenden
Staff writer

PONTON BEACH — Trustees approved a preliminary plan for a new police administration building at Tuesday's board meeting.

An architect's sketch of a one-story building containing 1,639 square feet of space will be submitted along with interior plans to state authorities for approval.

The building is to contain 10 rooms, including two holding cells, and a lobby area. Buildings used for law enforcement purposes are required to meet state specifications.

"I'd hate to put a building like this between here and the other building. I'd like to put it facing (Illinois) 111," Mayor Glen Wilson said.

The village owns two lots in

the TIF District and one of the lots fronts 111. The cost of building it here or there would be the same," he said.

At a previous meeting, trustees discussed building a police facility on village-owned property on the south side of the Village Hall, 3910 Illinois 111. The police department is now located inside the Village Hall.

"Right now we are considering the utility of this building and how the rooms are arranged and not where it will be built," Trustee Don Rea said.

"Why don't we approve the preliminary drawing and send it to the state for approval?" Trustee Loren Madison asked. Board members agreed and unanimously approved the preliminary plan.

Stacy Haynes, an AT&T representative, discussed installing a digital computerized phone system in the Village Hall which could be linked into the new police building when constructed.

Under a lease agreement, the 10-phone system proposed by Haynes would include conference calls, a paging system and hands-free answering and would be adaptable to a TTY printout system to receive calls from hearing-impaired persons.

Monthly leasing cost of the updated system is \$145.88, or \$30.68 more per month than the present nine-phone system, she said.

Village Treasurer Ray Gaudette questioned the cost of purchasing a system, rather than leasing, but noted that if a purchase is proposed bids must be sought.

Haynes was asked to present a detailed price quote at the next meeting.

Case of AIDS child to be heard May 10

GRANITE CITY — A due process hearing is slated for May 10 to determine whether 7-year-old Jason Robertson, a hemophiliac with AIDS-related complex, should be returned to a regular classroom. But it appears the district will face legal action before that date.

The hearing is being held at the request of Jason's mother, Tammy Robertson, who has decided her son should be in a classroom with other pupils.

Under a special education program set up by District 9 in November, Jason is being taught privately in a trailer near Prather Elementary School.

If the hearing is held as planned, the hearing officer would be required to make a decision by May 20. But if the American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois has its way, Jason will be in a classroom before the

state-level hearing is held.

A spokeswoman for the ACLU, which is representing Mrs. Robertson, said a suit would be filed this week to expedite Jason's admittance to a regular classroom.

The ACLU originally threatened to file the suit a month ago, but delayed the action while the hearing date was being set.

Mrs. Robertson has said Jason has few years to live and she wants him to make friends and lead a normal life while he can. She originally agreed to the separate classroom, but changed her mind in March because she felt Jason would be better in school with other children.

The district maintains that, since Jason is a special education student, it must follow the program set forth in November by a special committee assigned to Jason's case.

Man attempts to rape man; victim flees

MITCHELL — A handcuffing man apparently wanting sex abducted another man at 11 a.m. Thursday.

The abduction of the Illinois Bell systems technician took place on St. Thomas Road near Chain of Rocks Road, where he was working at an outdoor telephone terminal.

The employee escaped unharmed from his captor, described as a white male of medium build and height, believed to be in his mid-30s, with long brown hair and a full beard. The assailant fled from the area on foot and eluded a search by police and deputies.

The victim said he was forced to drive his van to Chouteau Island, where the abductor attempted to sexually assault him. They then drove to the Hartford Canal, where the abductor got out to inspect the undercarriage after the van ran over a tree branch.

The victim got out of the van and ran toward buildings near Illinois 3. The abductor then fled in the opposite direction. The victim reached a gasoline service station and summoned help.

The case is under investigation.

Resident charged with knife-point robberies

GRANITE CITY — Two armed robberies here in late March have resulted in charges being filed against a 24-year-old Granite City man.

James Curtis Parrott, 2400 W. 23rd St., was arrested at 5:37 p.m. April 14 at 2227 Illinois Ave. on two warrants alleging armed robbery.

The robberies took place March 28 and 29. In the first, Donald Phipps, 31, Cahokia, and Curt Bosworth, 34, 1656 Fourth St., Madison, reported having their wallets, one containing \$125 and the other \$50, taken at knife-point on Cleveland Boulevard. Bosworth suffered several puncture wounds to the throat during the robbery.

The other robbery took place in Room 214 of the Illini Motel, 1100 Niedringhaus Ave. Donald Stevens, 52, Pekin, was robbed of a \$60 cash, a pocket radio and \$100 cash while tied up with



James C. Parrott

Charged with armed robbery, a sheet and held at knife-point.

Both robberies were carried out by two men. Police said April 15 that the warrants for Parrott were the only ones issued so far in the case.

Parrott was held in the Granite City Jail in lieu of a bond.

Evacuation follows car wreck Friday

GRANITE CITY — Heavily-eyed residents evacuated their apartments about 1:15 a.m. Friday when a car crashed into a gas meter at 4800 Kirkpatrick

The car, allegedly borrowed from a Nashville, Ill., dealership, also struck three sets of fixed trash cans and a clothesline pole between 4300 and 4800 Kirkpatrick Homes. The evacuation that followed destruction of the meter lasted more than an hour.

Brian Jay Boswell, 21, Nashville, allegedly fled from the crash site on foot. Police found him at the back of the apartment building at 4800 Kirkpatrick Homes.

Police searched the suspect and reported finding a plastic bag of marijuana in the pocket of his jacket.

Boswell was charged with unlawful possession of cannabis, failure to give information about property damage, fleeing and attempting to elude a police officer, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident, driving while his license was suspended and reckless driving.

At the police station, Boswell also was booked on a warrant for failure to appear on a charge of driving with a suspended license.

The auto sustained extensive damage to the front, rear and both sides.

City police, fire and ambulance departments responded.

Crider denied leave request

By Paul Guggina
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Alan Crider, a teacher at Grigsby Junior High School, was denied a request for a non-paid leave of absence by the Board of Education on Tuesday.

Crider said Friday he requested the leave for the 1988-89 school year so he can pursue a job in Florida.

The board determined Crider, who has been a language arts teacher at Grigsby since August, is not eligible for an exploratory

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City park worker something special

By Andy Slering
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — There are bottom lines and there are bottom lines. Here's one bottom line:

"Randy is evidence that we can produce taxpaying citizens in our program," said Stu Mills, supervisor of special education for the Region I Special Education District.

Randy Van Gilder, 31, a former student in the Special Education District and an employee of the Granite City Park District for almost eight years, received

Sunday focus

an Outstanding Employee Award on Friday from the Parents for Special Education. The Park District received an Outstanding Employer Award from the group.

Both presentations took place at the annual Job Fair for the Handicapped, held at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Old Alton Road. Randy Van Gilder falls somewhere between mildly and moderately handicapped, the way special education professionals reckon such things. But the way his boss reckons it, Van Gilder is special, period.

"Randy has been one of the best employees the Granite City Park District has ever had," said Walt Brewer, maintenance supervisor for the district.

"Echoes Steve Kessel, park district director: 'You send him out, he learns the job, and can do it the next time.'"

Van Gilder drives his own car and operates park district vehi-



(Staff photo by Mike Myers)

STU MILLS, supervisor of special education for Region I, Madison County Special Education District, presents an Outstanding Worker Award to Randy Van Gilder, a maintenance employee of the Granite City Park District.

cles. "He's only had one small accident in the five years he's been driving," said his proud mother, Betty Van Gilder.

He has a "can do" attitude, Brewer said. "Randy has never

said, 'I can't do something.' He always says, 'I'll try.'"

And he has a zest for work that would put most people to shame. Van Gilder had a succession of part-time jobs before he

caught on with the park district — at the dog pound, a major retail store, the street department, and a car wash.

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Lynch Avenue sewer problems eased somewhat

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — A soil boring before repair work started would have lessened the much publicized problems with the Lynch Avenue sewer break.

Superintendent of Streets Mac Warfield, City Engineer Roger Hadley and 7th Ward Alderman Jeff Worthen all agree on that. Work there was halted until 20 well points necessary to lower the water table could be drilled.

"When we did a soil boring we found a clay layer that was causing a perched water table. But we didn't do one until the well wouldn't pull down the water table enough for Mac to work," Hadley said.

"When we went to the City Council for money in the past, they made fun of us for wasting money boring holes in the ground. They'll laugh in your face — they have — me personally — and make fun until a problem develops."

So Mac tried to go ahead without it, based on past experience. He'd done work in the same neighborhood without any problem before. That's the problem with soil. You don't know what you'll find until you look.

The drilling of the 20 well points started April 4. Pumping out the water was expected to be under way before this weekend.

"If the weather holds, we'll get it locked up in a week," (See BORING, Page 5A)

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BIKE SAFETY WEEK
APRIL 17-23





In action

MAYOR FOR A DAY: Chris Brewer, left, observes Mayor Von Dee Cruse in action as Cruse's assistant, Donna Fanning, confers with him. Brewer was one of eight DeMolays who participated in the annual DeMolay Government Day in Granite City and accompanied various city officials during the day.

(Staff photo by Patrick Foley)

Catholic bishops opposing death penalty

Roman Catholic bishops of Illinois released a statement April 15 opposing capital punishment in the state.

Bishop Daniel L. Ryan of the Diocese of Springfield was among the 16 signing the four-page statement, which advocates "solutions to the problem of violence that truly serve the common good and do not further erode respect for life."

The bishops said several capital punishment cases in Illinois are near the end of the appeals process, and no one has been executed in Illinois since 1965.

"We need to face squarely the question on many people's minds: Is capital punishment appropriate today? While some would say that the only way to combat violent crime and homicide is to execute the offender, we do not think so," the statement says.

"Our position is ultimately rooted in our belief that human life is sacred and that we have an obligation to protect and enhance it at all stages of development."

Bishop Ryan said he believes a return to capital punishment in Illinois would be taking a step backward in history.

"Our emphasis on the sacred nature of human life has been so

strong and so consistent that we must consider sacred the life of a person who is a victim of a serious crime as well as the life of the perpetrator of that crime," the bishop said in commenting on the statement. He continued:

"Unless we can place priority upon our attention to the root causes of crime, we will fail both to protect the lives of the innocent and to prevent the further spread of violence."

"The bishops' joint statement cites several factors that argue against capital punishment as an effective deterrent to violent crime, and mentions alternatives such as life imprisonment without parole."

"While not denying the traditional position that the state has the right to employ capital punishment," the Illinois bishops said, "many Catholic bishops, together with Popes Paul VI and John Paul II, have spoken against the exercise of that right by the state."

"The bishops reject 'revenge' as an appropriate argument. 'Vengeance is not a worthy human motive,' the statement says."

It also expresses concern for victims of violent crime, and says victims often receive little

or no attention.

"There is a need to examine proposals which seek to provide support and compensation for victims and their families," the statement says.

Recognizing that their position challenges current popular opinion, the Illinois bishops say that "even people who are committed to a broad range of life issues sometimes accept execution as the only response to violent crime and homicide."

They raised the question "to encourage thoughtful discussion in the belief that 'public policy and popular opinion must always be subject to ongoing moral analysis.'"

The bishops signing the statement included Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, archbishop of Chicago, and Bishops Arthur J. O'Neill of Rockford, Edward W. O'Rourke of Peoria, Joseph L. Imsch of Joliet, James P. Keeler of Belleville and Daniel L. Ryan of Springfield, and Coadjutor Bishop John J. Myers of Peoria.

Other signatories were Auxiliary Bishops Alfred L. Abramowitz, John R. Gorman, Wilton D. Gregory, Nevin W. Hayes, Thad Jakubowski, Roger L. Kaffer, Timothy L. Lyne, Placido Rodriguez and Raymond Vonesh.

10 trained for hazardous waste spills

Ten members of International Union of Operating Engineers Local 520, Granite City, compose the local's first hazardous waste training class, which began April 4.

The 10 will receive 40 hours of instruction on safe hazardous waste cleanup, including a session on the federal hazard communications standard.

A representative of the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration will explain the federal

law as well as safety and health standards, covering the use of personal protective equipment and related matters.

The local training program is a continuation of an effort by the Operating Engineers to train as many union members as possible in the safe handling of hazardous waste.

That effort began a few months ago when apprenticeship coordinators from across the country attended a two-week course at the U.S. Labor Depart-

ment's facility in Beekley, W. Va., training site of the Mine Safety and Health Administration.

IUE members who completed the 80 hours of training then returned to home locals to train others.

Michael G. Connors, OSHA acting regional administrator, Chicago, has offered the assistance of compliance officers for one day to each of the local unions in the Midwest Region whenever a course is presented.

SEMC seeks to remain a designated trauma center

SPRINGFIELD — Eighty-seven hospitals, including St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City, have applied to the Illinois Department of Public Health for trauma center status in 10 newly designated trauma centers in the state.

Dr. Bernard J. Turnock, state public health director, announced the department will conduct site surveys beginning in May of the hospitals that have applied to be Level I (14) and level II (73) trauma centers.

Trauma center designations will be made, by region, beginning July 1 and are expected to be completed by September.

Seeking to be level II centers in Region 4 (Madison, St. Clair, Monroe, Bond, Clinton, Washington and Randolph counties) are SEMC; Wood River Township Hospital, Alton Memorial, St. Anthony's and St. Joseph's hospitals, Alton; Anderson Hospital, Maryville; St. Mary's Hospital, East St. Louis; and Memorial and St. Elizabeth's hospitals, Belleville.

Level I trauma centers must provide all essential services in-house, 24 hours a day. Level II trauma centers must provide some essential services in-house.

24 hours a day, and the rest must be readily available within 30 minutes.

The state's trauma system began in 1971 and there currently are 49 trauma centers in Illinois.

Under provisions of legislation passed in 1966, the department was required to designate trauma centers this year, and was also given the legal authority to regulate them.

Additional legislation, signed last fall by Gov. James R. Thompson, allows any of Illinois' 270 hospitals that meet trauma center standards drafted by the department to be so designated.

The 10 trauma center regions were apportioned in February 1988. They are designed to allow hospitals and emergency medical services in each region to develop a comprehensive plan to best serve the needs of the people there.

The regions were chosen based on population, hospital transfer patterns and geographic distances between hospitals.

The City of Chicago is a home-care community and operates under its own trauma center system.

Chouteau highway department to make free trash pickups

In conjunction with the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce cleanup campaign, the Chouteau Township Highway Department will assist private property owners in the Mitchell area in an effort to beautify the community.

On April 18-22, the department will pick up tree limbs, debris and other hard-to-dispose-of items. Persons may call and leave their name and address to utilize the service.

Veterans to get help with benefits

Arthur H. Wilson, national service director for the Disabled American Veterans, has announced that a field service unit will be at the DAV Chapter 53 Hall, 1417 19th St., Granite City, April 18 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. to assist local veterans with service problems they might have with the Veterans Administration.

The van will be manned by a DAV employee from Chicago, familiar with programs for veterans, including veterans' benefits and widows' and orphans' benefits.

Darren Millers name first child Dustin Steven

Mr. and Mrs. Darren S. Miller, Granite City, have named their first child, Dustin Steven. The infant was born Feb. 2 at Christian Northwest Hospital, St. Louis. He weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces.

Wilson said veterans should bring their VA claim number and Social Security number. The service is free.

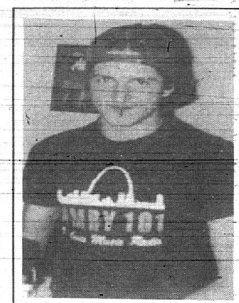
The mother is the former Jeannette Teachenor.

The maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald (Donna) Teachenor, and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.

Gary (Judy) Miller, are Granite City residents.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul (Edith) Radefeld, Mr. and Mrs. Jack (Ollie) Teachenor, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer (Ruby) Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Amos (Ruth) Johnson Sr., all of Granite City.

Hazel, Vaughn and Mr. and Mrs. Allen (Ellen) Waggoner, all of Granite City, are the great-grandparents.



Ricky Matyas

Skating party to pay Matyas bills

PONTIAC BEACH — Friends of Ricky Matyas will hold a skating party April 29 at Funtown U.S.A., 3769 Lake Drive, to raise money to pay his funeral expenses.

Mr. Matyas died early this year of carbon monoxide poisoning. He and Diana M. Sampson were overcome by exhaust fumes from the Matyas car and could not be revived.

The party is scheduled from 5 to 7 p.m. and is open to the public. Admission is \$3, or \$2.25 if skate rental is not required.

Persons unable to attend but wishing to make a donation may send money to the Edward Werner Chapel, 3829 Lake Drive, Granite City, 62040.

Grain data sought at canal locks here

Due to increasing requests for detailed commodity breakdowns of total tonnage by federal and state agencies, it is important that commodity data collected at the Granite City canal locks be as accurate as possible, said James A. Petersen, chief, Navigation Branch, St. Louis District, Army Corps of Engineers.

Pilots of towboats locking through the St. Louis District should give accurate and detailed information concerning barge contents, particularly for agricultural products, often simply reported as "grain."

Pilots should inquire of their dispatchers to find out what kind of grain, i.e., corn, soybeans, wheat, etc., so they can have this information available prior to lockage, Petersen said.

Menus

Granite City Public Schools

Monday - Manager's choice

Tuesday - Chili and crackers, peanut butter sandwich, fruit cup

Wednesday - Fried chicken, tater tots, vegetable, fruit cup

Thursday - Taco with cheese, lettuce and tomato, vegetables, fruit cup

Friday - Fish sandwich, macaroni and cheese, mixed vegetables, fruit cup

Madison Public Schools

Monday - Submarine sandwich, french fries, peas

Tuesday - Meat loaf, whipped potatoes and gravy, apple sauce, gelatin

Wednesday - Fried chicken, whipped potatoes and gravy, green beans, pudding

Thursday - Pizza, tossed salad, pineapple

Friday - Tuna salad, sandwich, buttered noodles, stewed tomatoes, apple pie

Venice Public Schools

Monday - Chili, peanut butter sandwich, crackers, pears

Tuesday - Chicken patty on bun, sweet potatoes, peas, fruit cocktail

Wednesday - Ham and beans, corn bread, pickled beets, peaches

Thursday - Hobo sandwich, celery and carrot sticks, vegetable soup, pineapple chunks

Friday - Fish fillet, pickles and onions, slaw, corn

Sacred Heart St. Joseph

Monday - Ravioli, sliced cheese, peas, apple sauce, chocolate drop cookie

Tuesday - Hamburger on bun, french fries, baked beans, sliced cheese, pickles, fruit cocktail

Wednesday - Pizza, corn, slaw

peanut butter crackers, orange jello

Thursday - Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, cheese chunks, salad, apple crisp

Friday - Toasted cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, crackers, pickles, stuffed celery, cake

St. Elizabeth

Monday - Pizza, vegetables, celery and carrot sticks, chocolate cake, fruit

Tuesday - Barbecued hamburger, tater tots, vegetables, pudding

Wednesday - Turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, vegetables, cherries

Thursday - Taco with lettuce and cheese, vegetables, peanuts, raisins

Friday - Nachos and cheese, vegetables, peanut butter sandwich, blueberry muffin

St. Margaret Mary

Monday - Hamburger or cheeseburger on bun, tater tots, baked beans, pickles, raisins and peanuts

Tuesday - Spaghetti with meat sauce, vegetable, carrot and celery sticks, fruit

Wednesday - Baked turkey roll, gravy, mashed potatoes or rice, green beans, lettuce, apple sauce

Thursday - Meat loaf, tater tots, corn, carrot and celery sticks, baked apple slices

Friday - Nachos with cheese, peas, slaw, jello

St. Mary's, Madison

Monday - Pizza, salad, pears

Tuesday - Manager's choice

Wednesday - Barbecued chicken, french fries, corn, jello with fruit

Thursday - Taco salad, peas, apple sauce

Friday - Tuna sandwich, potato chips, corn, apple pie

Seaside Christian

Monday - Chili, crackers, chef salad, cherry pie

Tuesday - Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, carrots, miracle dessert

Wednesday - Baked turkey, yam patties, jelled salad, apple sauce

Thursday - Pork sausage, mashed potatoes, biscuits, chef salad, pineapple

Friday - Baked ham, german potato salad, green beans, lemon pudding

Head Start

Monday - Pork and rice casserole, carrots, sliced apple

Tuesday - Mostaccioli, tossed salad, green beans, dressing

Thursday - Beef and noodle casserole, green beans, roll, peaches

Friday - Hot dog, macaroni and cheese, tomato slice, lettuce, fruit cup

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Breaking ground

EXPANSION AT EAGLES: A groundbreaking ceremony is held in the 2500 block of Madison Avenue by members of Eagles Aerie 1126 and guest dignitaries for a 3,700-square-foot expansion of the Eagles home (in background). In front, from left are Granite City Mayor Rob Starn, Eagles state foot expansion chairman; Howard Reinhart, trustee; Rabbit Lanfr-

ied, Eagles state vice president; Paul Trinkle, Eagles state president; State Rep. Sam Wolf; Mayor Von Dee Cruse; Don Horn, president of Eagles Aerie 1126; Granite City Township Assessor Darlene Laub; Frank Laub, Madison County Board member; Bill Frazier, past trustee of Aerie 1126; and Bob Hogan, vice president of Aerie 1126.

Bi-State Transit, 25 years old, cites gains

The Bi-State Development Agency marked its 25th anniversary in the transit business on April 1, 1988, and that day Executive Director R. Raleigh D'Adamo said that in this "Year of the Employee," public transportation in this metropolitan area is at a high-water mark.

"Despite the ups and downs that every transit agency in the world faces, Bi-State has made great strides over the years and today offers the public secure, on-time transportation in clean, attractive buses," he said.

Bi-State is the successor to such Granite City area companies as Community Coach and Nameoki Transit.

Commissioners of Bi-State have included Granite Citizens C.E. "Corky" Townsend and Carl E. Mathias.

In the next few months, area residents will have available to them 57 new city buses and 40 new over-the-road commuter buses, with another order of up to 50 city buses following right behind," D'Adamo said.

"All of our buses now operate out of new indoor parking and maintenance facilities using computer methods for more effective queuing of buses for on-time departure."

"For developing that system and for other innovations, Bi-State was the recipient in September of the 1987 Management Innovation Award given annually to only one transit authority in North America by the American Public Transit Association."

"We just completed the replacement of scratched plastic with glass in all of our passenger shelters, and are installing new bus stop signs containing more information for passengers in over 20,000 locations. And, of course, our current largest and most exciting project is the Metro Link rail line for which we just recently assumed responsibility and which is on the threshold of being funded by the federal government."

The Bi-State Development Agency's transit division officially began operation of the buses, cars and facilities purchased from 15 privately-owned

transit companies serving the metropolitan St. Louis area in Missouri and Illinois at 12:01 a.m. April 1, 1988.

The acquisition was the result of a report issued by the engineering firm of W.C. Gilman & Co., which was employed by St. Louis City and County to study the merits of a consolidated transit system linking the two states.

The report concluded that establishment of a unified area-wide transit system would be in the interests of all communities in the St. Louis area. It found that Bi-State was the proper body to establish such a system.

Gilman determined that, although most of the 15 companies operated at a small profit, transit service was highly duplicative in many areas of the region and non-existent in others.

The consultants also found that potential users of transit service were kept away because of its inefficient route structure, uncoordinated service and generally unattractive and uncomfortable vehicles.

The public was paying increased fares due to the lack of transfers between the various lines. And the financial condition of many of the privately-owned carriers was such that major segments of the area, both in Missouri and Illinois, were facing a complete breakdown of transit service.

The physical assets of the 15 private companies were purchased with a \$26.5 million revenue bond issue.

Consolidation of the 15 separate operations, with a complexity of routes, fares, equipment, labor unions and wage rates, into a single integrated system was a difficult process.

It was the first venture of this magnitude in the history of American transit operations, authorities recall.

It involved the negotiation of a master labor code, retraining of drivers for systemwide operation, reassignment and standardization of equipment, unification of maintenance, accounting and purchasing procedures, and

establishment of centralized control over the various other functions involved in the operation.

The agency began operations with bright hopes but many problems. St. Louis, which in the past had provided the majority of public transit ridership and around which most routes were planned, was undergoing a rapid decline in population.

A corresponding drop in transit ridership quickly followed. Because of urban renewal projects under way and with new Urban Mass Transportation Administration funds, in 1984 Bi-State ordered 50 new streamlined, air-conditioned buses and took steps to air-condition 50 more in an effort to attract more riders.

Other Gilman study recommendations were also implemented. An integrated fare structure was put into effect, equalizing and coordinating rates of fare. Numerous routes were extended, and other new service improvements were made.

In the years that followed, rising costs caused higher fares, which, along with population shifts to the suburbs, caused decreased service and a subsequent reduction in service.

In June 1973, the Missouri Legislature enacted enabling legislation authorizing collection of a half-cent transportation sales tax in St. Louis City and County to support public transit. This subsidy was followed in 1974 by the Illinois Downstate Public Transportation Act.

With local funding secured, Bi-State was able to receive federal subsidies which in turn allowed the agency to reverse the trends of the past. Fares were lowered, routes added and extended service and equipment improved.

For seven years, a constant 3-cent basic fare was maintained, but as inflation drove expenses up, increasing amounts of local and federal subsidies were required to make up the difference between operating costs and income.

Like other U.S. transit systems, Bi-State was burdened with soaring operating expenses.

In the 1970s, the agency entered the 1980s with ever-increasing funding requirements and the necessity of instituting such budget-balancing measures as fare increases and service reductions.

Two county transit districts in Illinois, St. Clair and Madison, were added as funding sources.

Public transportation in the St. Louis area today mirrors the problems transit systems face nationally.

The decline of federal operating dollars, the lower population density in much of the area, the abundance of inexpensive parking in the downtown area, the skyrocketing costs of operation and the continuing fondness for the private automobile have all placed serious pressures on the operation of the public transportation system.

Today there are 580 peak-hour buses operating on 130 routes compared to 905 buses, 157 routes and five street car lines in 1963.

Federal subsidies which for years were a key source of Bi-State income have been reduced by over 55 percent in the 1980s and the passenger has been asked to pay a greater share of the cost of the ride.

The basic fare, which in 1963 was 25 cents, is now 75 cents. Operating expense has risen from \$18.5 million in 1963 to \$92.7 million in 1987. And ridership has dropped from 85 million in 1963 to 47.5 million in 1987.

D'Adamo continued, "While things have not turned perfect with public entities buying out privately-owned transit companies over the years, the alternative would have been much worse. Consider what rush-hour traffic would be like in the St. Louis area if the 165,000 weekday trips on Bi-State buses were all made in cars to and from work."

"The congestion we expect to occur on the bridges across the Mississippi as a result of the loss of the Martin Luther King Jr. Bridge, and rush hours on Highway 40 would likely seem as a picnic compared to what the added cars would cause if there was no Bi-State Transit."

Rabies shots slated May 11

A rabies control clinic will be held May 11 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Chouteau Township Highway Garage, 906 Thorngate Drive, behind the Mitchell Mid-west Motel.

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prevention shots will be available, at a charge. All Chouteau Township residents with pets are being urged to make use of the clinic.

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Licensed practical nurses to meet

The 39th annual convention of the Licensed Practical Nurse Association of Illinois (LPNAI) will be held April 17-21 at the Augustine Executive Inn Conference and Convention Center in Belleville. The theme for this year is "LPNs - Committed to the Future."

LPN delegates to the convention for Division 14 are Donna Boyer, state treasurer, Granite City; Jana Young, division president, Shipman; Jessie Frey, Staunton; Donna Enzweiler, vice president, Granite City; Julie Hirsch, Staunton; Vickie Fralle, Bend; and Debbie Russell, Staunton.

In addition to planned business meetings, registrants and delegates will be attending a variety of workshops led by licensed practical nurses, registered professional nurses and/or physicians. Topics to be presented are:

- 1) Flexibility of the LPN's role.
 - 2) The expanding role of LPNs in patient education.
 - 3) The LPN's responsibility - Care of the AIDS patient.
 - 4) Magnetic resonance imaging.
 - 5) Renal dialysis care.
 - 6) Death and dying.
 - 7) LPNs: Hospice nursing.
- Nurses United Political Action Committee (NUPAC) will have a luncheon and business meeting

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Friends of Girl Scouting campaign in progress here

Myra Parrish, Robert L. Brave, David Giese, and Margaret Lee have been named to assist with the 1988 Friends of Girl Scouting campaign by the River Bluffs Girl Scout Council.

"Send a girl to camp" is this year's campaign theme. The drive is under way in the Quad City area and funds raised during the campaign will be used for financial assistance and to purchase needed equipment and supplies.

The goals for this area are \$1,350 for Granite City and \$1,175 for Madison/Venice.

Mrs. Parrish has been an active Girl Scout volunteer for many years and is also active in the Granite City Opt-Mrs. and Church Women United. She is a member of Central Christian Church, where she is an elder, missions chairman, and choir member.

Brave and his wife, Ruth, have two grown daughters. He is active in the Granite City Optimist Club and is a member of St. John United Church of Christ as well as the Masonic order and Aina Shrine Temple.

Giese, a special representative for the Franklin Life Insurance

Co., is a banking institute graduate of the University of Wisconsin and has attended several other universities for specialized training. He has held various offices in the Granite City Optimist Club, the Madison-Bond counties Bankers Federation, Southwestern Illinois Chapter of Bankers, and the Cahokia Mound Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He and his wife, Jane, have three sons.

Mrs. Lee, vice president of the First National Bank in Madison, is also a longtime volunteer for the Girl Scouts. She is active in the Tri-Cities Area United Way, the Madison County Urban League, and the Community Betterment Committee of the Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce.

Lee said, "Contributions to this year's campaign, which also commemorates the 75th anniversary of Girl Scouting, will help keep the program alive and well for girls in our area. Many of our future community leaders are now active in the Girl Scouting program."

For more information about the Friends of Girl Scouting program, persons may call 452-0692.

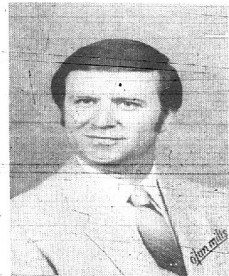
Road rules class slated April 20

Secretary of State Jim Edgar, in cooperation with the Granite City Council of Senior Citizens, is offering a Rules of the Road review course April 20 for all citizens in the Granite City area.

The purpose of the course is to help applicants pass the Illinois Drivers License renewal examination. It updates drivers on the current rules of the road, explains the vision and the driving ability examinations, and prepares applicants for the generally written and road sign examination.

The course will be held at the Granite City Township Building, 2900 Delmar Ave., on Wednesday, April 20, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The course is free to everyone, any age, who wishes to attend. For more information, Clyde Myers can be called at 876-3981.



Dr. Lawrence Shipley

Osteoporosis to be reviewed at BPW meeting

Dr. Lawrence A. Shipley, chiropractor, will give a lecture on osteoporosis and its effects on bone and connective tissue at the April 20 meeting of the Granite City Business and Professional Women.

The meeting will be at 6 p.m. at Charlie's Restaurant, 3120 Nameoki Road.

During his discussion, he will stress the importance of proper diet, exercise and proper nutritional supplementation.

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Health care

Warning on Asian tiger mosquitoes

State agencies are taking steps to control the spread in Illinois of the Asian tiger mosquito, which may transmit diseases to humans.

The Asian tiger mosquito (*Aedes albopictus*) arrived in the United States in 1985 through water in shipments of used tires.

It spread to three locations in Illinois: one in Chicago and one each in Jefferson and St. Clair counties — also by transport in scrap tires. All three areas have taken steps to reduce the population of the mosquitoes.

The State Pollution Control Board has proposed an emergency rule designed to provide guidelines for storage and transport of scrap tires, which are the primary means of spreading the mosquito.

Illinois Department of Public Health Director Bernard J. Turneck said lab tests have shown the Asian tiger mosquito is capable of transmitting certain diseases to humans, although no illness has been linked to it in the U.S.

Several other mosquitoes native to Illinois also can carry diseases, but people can greatly reduce the risk of mosquito-borne illness by following simple precautions, he said.

"While we do not yet know whether the Asian tiger mosquito will infect anyone in Illinois this summer, we do know it is an aggressive biter," Dr. Turneck said.

"Now is the time, before most mosquitoes in Illinois have hatched, to begin taking precautions against potential mosquito bites and the risk of a mosquito-borne disease."

Eliminating mosquito breeding sites is called the single most effective method of prevention. People also can:

- Properly store or discard all items that can collect water, such as tire casings, buckets, wading pools, etc.
- Drill holes in old tires used for swings or other play equipment to allow water to drain.
- Drain bird baths, wading pools, rain barrels and other water containers weekly.

- Use repellent when mosquitoes are in evidence.
- Keep screens on windows and doors tight-fitting and in good repair.

- Work together in the community to clean up vacant lots and other areas where mosquitoes may breed, especially where old tires are located. Private lots with tire piles can be reported to cities or local public health departments, which may enforce nuisance statutes to have them cleared.

The department will soon begin its annual surveillance of mosquito-borne infection. It will update local health departments throughout the season with new information.

Under the Pollution Control Board proposal, scrap tires must be drained of water and covered during transport. Scrap tires generated or transported after May 1 must be drained, stored dry, shredded or treated to kill the larvae of the Asian tiger and other mosquitoes that breed there. The rule exempts scrap tires stored prior to May 1 that are not transported.

Since the best chance of controlling breeding sites in neighborhoods rests with local authorities, the board advises that any unit of local government can take additional steps to control existing or potential infestation.

Role of nutrition cited at conference

The second annual Nutrition Support Conference, held at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, drew dietitians, nurses, pharmacists and physicians from throughout the Metro East area.

The conference, sponsored by Ross Laboratories and SEMC, featured David Cort, M.D., and Patricia Eisenberg, R.N., M.S.N.

Dr. Cort is a gastroenterologist at Jewish Hospital and an instructor in the Department of Medicine at Washington University. Eisenberg is an adjunct clinical instructor at the Graduate School of Nursing at St. Louis University.

"The conference was part of the month-long activities planned at SEMC in recognizing March as National Nutrition Month," said Excy Basuel, chief dietitian at SEMC.

The speakers discussed current issues in nutrition support. "During a patient's recovery, nutrition support plays an important role, making the patient feel stronger and heal faster. This can shorten hospital stays," a speaker said.

The registered dietitians on the staff at SEMC include: Nancy Seper, M.S., R.D., food service director; Excy Basuel, R.D., chief clinical dietitian; Mark Peters, R.D., and Julie Bugnitz, M.S., R.D., clinical dietitians; and Rose Mary Scherer, M.A., R.D., marketing, outpatient dietitian.

As a community service, the Department of Nutritional Services at SEMC offers speakers who are available to discuss nutrition at schools, businesses and organizations.

They also offer the Right Weigh class, a 12-week program which emphasizes permanent weight loss using nutrition information and behavior modification.

Another special program is the Weight To Go diet class, a six-week program designed for overweight children (ages 8-12) and their parents.

Cooking A La Heart classes explore a "delicious new way of cooking," using less fat, salt and sugar, as recommended by the American Heart Association.

SEMC offers help for obese

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The Optifast Program, offered through St. Elizabeth Medical Center, is a multidisciplinary treatment approach for patients who are more than 50 pounds or at least 30 percent over ideal body weight. The program combines medical supervision, a modified fast, behavioral modification, nutrition education group sessions and exercise.

An Optifast orientation program will be held on Monday, April 25, at 7 p.m. on the second floor of the Wellness Center "for individuals interested in taking the first step to a healthier life," said Jim Chiappa, Wellness director.

"The Optifast Program can help. It's exactly what the name implies, a program a hospital affiliated, medically supervised program with a team of doctors, nurses and other medical professionals to support you every step of the way."

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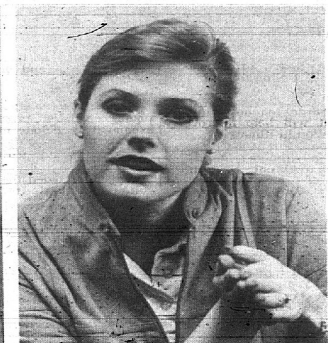
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Warfield superintendent of schools in Decatur

Walter H. Warfield, Ph.D., a 1964 graduate of Granite City High School, has been appointed to serve as superintendent of schools in Decatur.

Decatur, with a population of just over 34,000 residents, ranks fifth in size among the cities in Illinois. Its school district serves more than 15,000 students.

Dr. Warfield's career as an educator began in the Madison school system in 1968, after completing his bachelor of arts degree in history at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

After five years in the district, and upon completion of his master of science degree in educational administration at SIUE, Warfield left Madison to assume the post of high school principal in Mason City. He remained there until the end of the 1976-77 school year, when he resigned to return to full-time student status at Illinois State University, Normal.

At the conclusion of the 1977-78 school year, he received his doctoral degree in educational administration and moved to Fairfield to serve as superintendent of the high school district for the next six years.

In 1984, Warfield was appointed as superintendent of schools in Mattoon.

During his tenure at Mattoon, Warfield has been involved in a variety of educational activities. In 1986 he was appointed by the state superintendent to serve as one of the Illinois commissioners on the Education Commission of the States.



Walter Warfield

He has served as adjunct professor of educational administration at Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, and is currently president of the Illinois Association of School Administrators.

Warfield's wife, Cathy (Murgie) Warfield, is also a 1964 graduate of Granite City High School. They have three children, Christy, 19, Jason, 14, and Jennifer, 13.

Warfield is the son of Eldon Warfield and the late Vivian Warfield. Mrs. Warfield is the daughter of Mrs. Mary Murgie and the late Pete Murgie. Eldon Warfield resides at 2010 Lindell Blvd. and Mary Murgie resides at 2414 Lincoln Ave., both in Granite City.



YOUNG SCIENTISTS: Sara Schwager, Jenna Wright and Casey Gaudette entered projects in the fifth annual Science Fair at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. They are pictured with second-grade teacher Linda McDonnell.

Parkview pupils in science fair

Three students from Parkview Elementary School participated in the fifth annual Science Fair held at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville on April 9. Jenna Wright, a second grade student, entered the Botany Division. She received a certificate of participation and a blue ribbon for her topic, "Seeds and Growth."

Third grader Casey Gaudette chose "Electricity" as her topic in the Electronics Division. She received a certificate of participation.

Sara Schwager entered the Physics Division. She received a

certificate of participation for her topic, "See What You Hear." Sara is a second grade pupil.

The students were encouraged to take part in this event by Linda McDonnell, a second grade teacher at Parkview.

Over 700 students in grades K-12 entered the science fair.

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Crackdown on unpaid Illinois student loans

SPRINGFIELD — Two Illinois state agencies have teamed up to collect nearly one-half million dollars in unpaid student loans.

Since May 1986, the Department of Professional Regulation (DPR) and the Illinois State Scholarship Commission (ISSC) have taken action against 1,400 late or non-paying defaulted student loan recipients.

In February alone, DPR refused 37 licenses to individuals who had not reached agreement with ISSC to repay their loans, and placed an additional three licenses on probation until loans were repaid in full under terms of an agreement they entered into with the ISSC.

In Public Act 84-142, DPR is authorized to take disciplinary action against licensees who default on educational loans guaranteed by the ISSC.

"This arrangement has paid dollar dividends and shows we mean business," commented ISSC Executive Director Larry E. Matejka. "We are pleased to be a part of this cooperative effort."

DPR Director Stephen Selcke said, "The value of cooperation goes beyond the half million dollars collected. Many people are repaying the loans because they know we'll take action. As a result, the success of the program could easily run into the millions."

Over 30 professions are administered through DPR. The two agencies cross-reference records on a monthly basis to identify license holders who are in default. In February, license renewals were refused for 30 real estate salespersons, six social workers and a nursing home administrator while licenses of two cosmetologists and one nurse were placed on probation until repayment was made to the ISSC.

In the next several months, some of the professionals to be reviewed for license renewals include medical doctors, registered nurses, practical nurses, cosmetologists, dentists, real estate salespersons, architects, engineers, professional engineers and funeral directors.

Residents win scholarships

Three Granite Citizens have won scholarships from Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa.

Roberta Hiler of 3 Thomas Court has been awarded the \$1,500 Drake Founders Academic Scholarship. She is a student at St. Elizabeth Academy High School.

Kirk Mills, 9542-E, 28th St., has been awarded the \$1,500 Presidential Freshman Scholarship and the \$1,500 Drake Founders Academic Scholarship at Drake University.

A student at Granite City High School, he plans to enter the College of Business and Public Administration at Drake.

Michael Lane, 2560 Stratford Lane, has been awarded the \$1,500 Drake Founders Academic Scholarship. A student at Granite City High School, he plans to enter the College of Business and Public Administration.

The scholarships were awarded on the basis of scholastic and extracurricular achievements, and are renewed as long as they maintain high academic standards.

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Grants focus on gifted education

SPRINGFIELD — Educators and other college university graduates interested in becoming involved in gifted education can apply for financial grants worth up to \$2,000 per school year if they agree to work with gifted education programs in Illinois' elementary and secondary schools.

The State Board of Education's Gifted Fellowship Program is designed to attract persons, including graduate students and certified teachers, into careers that will help improve gifted education in Illinois.

Applications for 1988-89 are now available from the Instructional Improvement Section, State Board of Education, 100 N. First St., Springfield 62777-0001; 217-782-4874. They must be submitted by July 1.

Persons awarded the grants can receive a maximum of \$2,000 per full academic year (30 semester hours). The grants can also be prorated for less than a full academic year.

Applicants must be Illinois residents, enrolled in an accredited Illinois college or university as a graduate student for the fall 1988, spring 1989 and/or summer 1989 terms, and must agree to contribute to gifted education in Illinois for two years after completing their funded study year.

Their contributions to gifted education can be in a variety of forms, including teaching, administration, materials development, curriculum design, research, conference presentation or attendance.

Fellowships are awarded based on evidence of the applicant's:

- Academic scholarship, i.e., grade point average, academic honors or awards;
- Ability to express his/her personal and professional plans, timeliness, teaching commitment and contributions;
- Strength and abilities as outlined in written character references and;
- Potential for contributing to the developing of educational programs for gifted and talented children in Illinois as evidenced by the information collected from each individual.

Availability of the grants, first awarded in 1983, is contingent on funding by the Illinois General Assembly.

Mueller retires as educator after 24 years

Charles "Bud" Mueller, formerly of Madison, has been honored with a retirement dinner in Kildeer, Ill., after serving 24 years with Township High School District 211 in Palatine.

Mueller joined that district as a teacher at Fremd High School. He was appointed assistant principal at Conant High School in 1966 and director of continuing education and summer school in 1988.

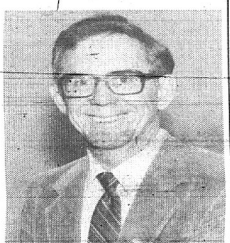
Under his leadership, the continuing education program was expanded to include more than 200 academic and leisure courses for community residents.

Mueller attended the Madison schools, graduated from

Millikin University in Decatur and Indiana University, and worked at Madison High School from 1957 to 1960 as physical education teacher and head coach in basketball and track. From there, he went to Mt. Pleasant (Mich.) High School as a teacher and coach.

Mueller was a guard on the Millikin basketball team in May 1966, he was admitted to the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in Bloomington.

He is married to the former Joey May of Ft. Smith, Ark. They have three children and one grandchild. He is the son of Mrs. Dorothy Lindsey of Madison and has one brother, Ed Mueller, Phoenix, Ariz.



Charles Mueller

State grants offered to future Illinois math, science teachers

SPRINGFIELD — Illinois residents who have college degrees in mathematics or science or who are pursuing such degrees are eligible for financial grants worth up to \$1,000 per school year if they agree to teach in Illinois elementary or secondary schools.

The goal of the State Board of Education's Mathematics and Science Traineeship Program is to increase the number of math and science teachers statewide by attracting persons from within the state's pool of current and potential mathematics and science professionals.

Applications for the 1988-89 school year are now available from the Instructional Improvement Section, State Board of Education, 100 North First St.,

Springfield 62777-0001. They must be submitted by July 1, 1988.

Individuals who enroll in an approved teacher education program and are awarded the traineeships can receive a maximum of \$1,000 per full academic year of 30 hours.

The awards can also be prorated for less than a full academic year at \$35 per semester hour.

In exchange, recipients must agree not to reject employment in an elementary or secondary school as a mathematics and/or science teacher (including computer science) within one year of completing their teacher education program.

They must then teach one-half year for each academic year of training funded by the grant.

Traineeships are awarded based on evidence of the applicant's:

- Work experience directly related to the profession of mathematics or science, academic awards or honors, membership in professional organizations, etc.;
- Undergraduate degree in mathematics or science, or his/her completion of one to three years of college toward such a degree; and
- Potential for becoming a mathematics or science teacher as evidenced by the information collected from each individual.

The availability of the traineeships, which have been awarded since 1983, is contingent on funding by the Illinois General Assembly.

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For the record

Willis heads rapid rail project

Stephen E. Willis, Bi-State Development Agency director of engineering and facilities management for the past year, has been named deputy general manager for Metro Link engineering and construction. It was announced this month by R. Raleigh D'Adamo, Bi-State executive director.

D'Adamo said, "In his new position, Willis will direct the largest single public works project for Bi-State and the metropolitan region — construction of the new 18-mile interstate rapid rail line that will form the spine of a coordinated bus/rail public transit network for the St. Louis metropolitan region." Willis assumes his new responsibilities immediately.

D'Adamo pointed to Willis' career at Bi-State where, among other things, he was responsible for the successful construction of Bi-State's four new major bus garage and maintenance facilities — a project totaling \$100 million which was accomplished on time and under budget.

D'Adamo also noted that before coming to Bi-State, Willis had an equally successful career during his 10 years as engineer with the city of St. Louis, where his major accomplishments were his service as project manager for airfield construction for Lambert-St. Louis International Airport, project manager for construction of the Cervantes Convention Center, and chief engineer for the Department of Streetwork.

"In addition to these tangible accomplishments, Steve enjoys the professional and personal respect of the engineering and construction communities in St. Louis," D'Adamo said.

"I am particularly pleased that Steve comes from our own St. Louis area and, indeed, from Bi-State itself."

As deputy general manager for Metro Link engineering and construction, Willis will lead all Metro Link activities for Bi-State.

He will manage an expanded Bi-State staff which will form

the nucleus for the Metro Link program, as well as a much larger group of architects, engineers, planners, engineers, construction firms, vehicle manufacturers, equipment suppliers, etc.

Together, they will comprise the team to make the Metro Link light-rail system a reality over the next four and a half years, he said.

Willis will report directly to D'Adamo. He replaces Douglas R. Campion, who led the project as program director since 1985 and who recently accepted a position with the Sverdrup Corp.

Willis, 43, earned a bachelor of science and civil engineering degree from University of Missouri-Rolla. He is a licensed professional engineer and a member of the National Society of Professional Engineers and the Missouri Professional Engineers Association.

He and his wife, Janice, who also was born in Missouri, and their two children, Stephen and Christine, reside in Mehlville.

Nestle wins energy achievement award

The Nestle Co. of Itasca, Ill., one of nine national winners of the Energy Retrofit Achievement Award sponsored by Honeywell's Commercial Buildings Group.

The awards are part of a nationwide campaign to honor significant energy savings through facility modernization. Nestle operates a 200,000-square-foot, temperature-controlled distribution center in Itasca for storage of food prod-

ucts. Energy retrofit services reduced utility expenses by \$90,000 over the first two years.

Awards are based on the extent of energy-related modernization, the level of challenge in making building improvements, and the impact of the retrofits on building comfort, efficiency and economy.

The retrofit application involved installation of the Honeywell Service Link, a digital

energy controller, which applies software programs to reduce the amount of energy consumed by heating, cooling and ventilating equipment installed in the distribution center.

In addition, it is connected to Honeywell's Servicerent Center, Atlanta, to verify proper functioning of the equipment 24 hours a day, maximizing savings and identifying conditions that might cause food spoilage.

Union Daughters plan Springfield excursion

The Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Aunt Becky Young Tent 92, held its monthly luncheon and business meeting March 29 at Jerry's Cafeteria. The tables were decorated in an Easter motif by hostess Joyce Moran.

The business segment was conducted by President Violet Kassebaum. The opening prayer

was given by Irma Taylor. Secretary Enid Bolin read the records, and the treasurer's report was given by Louise Thompson.

Plans were made for the group's annual excursion to the Lincoln-Tomb Cemetery to be held April 16 at Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield, Ill. The event is sponsored by the Sons of

Union veterans of the Civil War organization.

Games were played under the direction of Mopie. Prize was awarded to Louise Brinker. Others present were Evelyn Ringerling, Edna Beckman, Florence Hilderbrand and Peggy Gibbons. Bolin will host the April meeting.

Meat packers deny parts of critical report

By Letta Taylor

PRU Washington bureau WASHINGTON — Meat packing is the most dangerous occupation in the country, subjecting workers to bloody, subhuman conditions and an injury and illness rate eight times the national average, a new congressional report alleges.

But portions of the report — especially those that point to poor worker training and lax federal enforcement of safety measures — have been sharply denounced by the meat packing industry and the Labor Department's job safety agency.

Several Republicans on the House Government Operations Committee, which released the report, have also questioned the document's conclusions.

The Republicans charge that the report relies mostly on "emotional testimony" culled from workers at IBP Inc., the nation's largest meat packer, rather than a "vigorous, industry-wide investigation."

The "Beef" includes excerpts of dramatic testimony that packing workers and managers gave during hearings before a Government Operations subcommittee last year. At that time, IBP was locked in bitter labor disputes with the United Food and Commercial Workers Union.

"Workers stand in a sea of blood on treacherously slippery floors covered with animal fat buildup," Lewis Anderson, a former meat packer and president of the union, testified about IBP's Dakota City, Neb., plant.

"This provides a situation where workers slip frequently."

"Nearly all the workers wield razor-sharp knives and power tools, frantically working at a pace, trying to keep up with a relentless chain bringing production to the work station," Anderson continued.

"Because of breakneck chain speeds and close working conditions, workers frequently are accidentally stabbed by their neighbors."

Standing just a foot or two apart, workers sometimes are required to make five precision cuts every 15 seconds, witnesses said. They added that poor training and an annual job turnover of up to 80 percent at "some plants" led occupational hazards.

Since 1983, meat packing has shown the highest rate of injuries and illnesses of any occupation in the nation, surpassing "mining and construction," according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

In 1986, the latest year for which annual figures were available, 33.4 of every 100 meat packers suffered an injury or work-related illness, the bureau said. That compares to the average for all manufacturing industries of 4.2 out of every 100 workers.

About 58,000 packers will suffer a serious injury, maiming or illness this year, a figure that translates into about 160 incidents each day, the United Food and Commercial Workers said.

The American Meat Institute, which represents most of the nation's meat packing companies, responded to the report by releasing separate figures from the Bureau of Labor Statistics showing that injury rates among meat packers dropped 23 percent during 1979-85.

"Contrary to what the report implies, the meat industry has not ignored worker safety," said a Meat Institute statement, adding that the group has "instilled in its members a safety campaign" since last year's hearings.

But the Meat Institute figures start with one of the worst accident years (1979) and end with one of the better years (1985), a razor-sharp drop in the statistics spokesman said. The figures also exclude illnesses like carpal tunnel syndrome, a painful nerve disorder in the hand or wrist that plagues many meat cutters, he said.

Once illnesses and 1986 figures are included, the decrease in the rate of mishaps among meat cutters since 1979 was only 9.5

percent, the spokesman said. "The industry, dominated by IBP, continues to grind up its workers like the hamburger it produces," said Rep. Tom Lantos, D-Calif., who chairs the employment subcommittee that held the hearings.

The report calls on the federal Labor Department's Occupational Safety and Health Administration, or OSHA, to launch a comprehensive inspection program for meat packing plants and issue tougher standards for equipment and working conditions.

Until last month, OSHA safety inspectors would only tour a meat packing plant if the owners' records showed a higher-than-average accident and illness rate, the document said. It claimed such a practice "appears to be creating an incentive for employers to cheat by understating occupational injuries on their logs."

But OSHA spokesman Terry Miskelson labeled such charges "simply inaccurate."

OSHA inspectors one out of every three meat packing plants (which year, compared to one out of 10 for all manufacturing industries), he said, adding that a company's accident logs are only one of a variety of factors that are considered in determining which plants to visit.

Artist's Guild to view slides

The Granite City Artist's Guild will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, at Central Christian Church, 2020 Johnson Road (Granite City Branch Library entrance).

Joyce Pennington will display her collection of artists' prints. The group will discuss Expressionism versus Realism while viewing these prints of famous artists.

New members are welcome. This program was originally scheduled for March 15.

Obituaries

Green

Lloyd Ernest Green, 22, Granite City, died at 7:26 p.m. Wednesday, April 13, 1988, in Swedish Hospital, Seattle, Wash.

He had been ill 30 months and in the hospital 46 days, receiving a bone marrow transplant from his sister.

Born in Granite City, Mr. Green was a lifelong resident here. He was enrolled in Florissant Community College and was a member of St. John United Church of Christ, Granite City.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Myrna R.) Green, two sisters, Mrs. Randy (Sandy) Hauser and Stacy Green, and his fiancée, Wendy Wickham, all of Granite City.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus Ave., where the telephone number is 876-4321.

Hargrave

Franklin E. Hargrave, 56, Glen Carbon, died at 9:10 p.m. Friday, April 15, 1988, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where he was a patient since April 9.

Mr. Hargrave was employed at Granite City Steel.

Among the survivors is his wife, Mrs. Thelma Hargrave.

Arrangements are pending. Friends may call Irwin Chapel for Funerals, 2801 Madison Ave., 877-6509, for details.

Until 1978, he also owned a music store in East Alton, where he resided for many years. He resided in Flat River for the past two years.

Born in Paris, Tenn., Mr. Hastings, a singer and guitarist, appeared with the Dixie Band, a western band and other music groups throughout the Midwest. He frequently performed on radio shows.

He was a member of Musicians Local 717, Franklin Lodge, AF&AM, Wood River Moose Lodge and the Shrine Club.

Mr. Hastings was of the Protestant faith. He was preceded in death by a brother, Clint Hastings, and two sisters, Novella Paisgrove and Loretta Boyd.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Jessie Irene (Evans) Hastings, and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation starts at 5 p.m. today (Sunday) and continues from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus Ave., where services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday by the Rev. Johnny Rion. Burial will be at Lakeview Memorial Gardens, Belleville.

Payne

Nina Pauline (Shelton) Payne, 74, Venice, died at 10 a.m. Friday, April 15, 1988, at River Bluff Nursing Home, Cahokia.

Born Aug. 15, 1913, in O'Keane, Ark., Mrs. Payne resided in Venice since 1943.

She was a member of the Church of God of Prophecy, Madison, and the Venice Senior Citizens Club.

Her husband, Rube Payne, a daughter, Mary Mathes, and four brothers preceded her in death.

Among the survivors are two daughters, Mrs. William (Ruby) Gibson, Granite City, and Mrs. John (Carolyn) Lotz, Othello, Wash.; 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Visitation starts at 5 p.m. today (Sunday) at Irwin Chapel for Funerals, 2801 Madison Ave., where services will be conducted by the Rev. Warren Roney at 1 p.m. Monday. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Cemetery, Edwardsville.

Stovall

Alma (Phillips) Stovall, 67, 3724 Ruth Drive, Pontoon Beach, was pronounced dead at her home by Madison County Deputy Coroner Mark Scott at 11:43 a.m. Tuesday, April 12, 1988. She was ill three months.

Born in Illinois, Mrs. Stovall had lived in the Granite City area for 16 years. She previously lived in Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Mrs. Stovall was a member of

First Church of the Nazarene, Pontoon Beach.

She and her husband, Kenneth P. Stovall Sr., were married 26 years ago at the Church of the Nazarene in Cape Girardeau. Mr. Stovall survives.

Her son, Kenneth P. Stovall Jr., died in 1984.

In addition to her husband, survivors are two daughters, Donna Stovall, Oaklee, and Martha Stovall, Phoenix; a son, David K. Stovall, Granite City; a brother, Ivan Phillips, Sikeston, Mo.; a daughter, Rose Velje, Sikeston; and four grandchildren.

Visitation took place at Werner Chapel for Funerals, 3939 Lake Pontchartrain, where services were conducted by the Rev. William Roddy on Friday. Burial was at the National Cemetery, Madison, Mo. Memorials to First Church of the Nazarene, Pontoon Beach, are suggested.

Williams

Herbert R. Williams Sr., 78, Granite City, died at 2:25 p.m. Friday, April 15, 1988, at Anderson Hospital, Maryville. He was ill 10 days and in the hospital for the same length of time.

Born in Eminence, Mo., Mr. Williams resided for the past 59 years in Granite City. He was a World War II Army veteran and a member of VFW Post 1300.

Mr. Williams retired in 1975 from Norfolk and Western Railroad, where he was employed 45 years as a carman and janitor. He was a member of four senior citizens' bowling leagues. He also was a member of the United Methodist Church of Caseyville and the American Association of Retired Persons.

His wife, Evelyn Williams, died in 1978, and he also was preceded in death by two brothers, Aaron and Ralph Williams, and a sister, Theodora Sparks.

Among the survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Harold (Linda) Tanksley, Granite City; two sons, Daniel Williams, Springfield, and Herbert R. Williams Jr., Raleigh, N.C.; two sisters, Rachel Tucker Keller, Patterson, Mo., and Pauline Hull, Arizona; five grandchildren; and a friend, Leota Butler, Granite City.

Visitation starts at 2 p.m. today (Sunday) at Thomas Monahan Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road, where the Rev. Bruce Rushing will conduct services at 10 a.m. Monday. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Cemetery, Edwardsville. Memorials to the United Methodist Church of Caseyville are suggested.

Civic dinner on Tuesday

The annual civic dinner, given by the Salvation Army to salute persons and organizations aiding its annual Tree of Lights charity campaign, is set for 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, at the Salvation Army building, 3007 E. 23rd St.

Major Paul Bollmann will be the featured speaker. He is general secretary of the Midland Division, which includes southern Illinois and Missouri except the Kansas City area.

Jim Schmiedke is president of the Salvation Army advisory board and Avery Schermer was the campaign chairman. Capt. and Mrs. Curtis A. Hartley are the commanding officers of the local Salvation Army.

Tickets are \$7.50 and reservations may be made by telephoning the SA office at 451-7967.

Crider

Request for leave denied by board (Continued from Page 1)

leave. Board policy states that a teacher who has a leave must have a minimum of six consecutive years of full-time employment in the district.

Crider said he plans to re-submit the request, and if it is denied again he will remain in the district.

Crider is a former District 9 board member and administrator. He was a district employee from 1970 to 1977, teaching elementary, junior high and high school classes and then serving as director of the district's gifted student program.

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Van Gilder Park worker gets 'outstanding' award

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"He's a workaholic," said his mother. "He's never been lazy. When he didn't have a job he would mow lawns to make money."

So keen is he on work that in his almost eight years of mowing lawns, gardening and shoveling snow for the park district, he has never missed a single day of work. In fact, reports his boss Brewer, he seldom arrives for work without a smile.

None of this surprises a former teacher of Van Gilder's who still teaches special education classes at Granite City High School.

"Never have I had a student as conscientious as Randy. He gave it his all," said the teacher, who chose to remain nameless, explaining that it was to protect the identity of those enrolled in the teacher's special education classes today.

Van Gilder, a small but wiry

man with strong-looking hands, is tan from his outdoor work. He is quick to smile and shake your hand. He smiles when he says his favorite chore is getting the ball fields in shape.

And he smiles when you ask him what he does when he's not working. "I go with my fiancée," he says, beaming. His mother laughs, saying, "She cruises!" What kind of car?

"Pontiac Ventura," he says quickly. "He also likes to fish and bowl."

"And he's active in church activities," his mother said. "Oh, yes," Van Gilder chimed in, as if to say, "How I could I forget!"

It all sounds pretty normal, which is what it is. What could be more normal than a June wedding? That's what Van Gilder's mother said.

"We may have to make him take a day off then," Steve Kessel said.

Van Gilder was non-committal about it. He just smiled that sunny smile.

That's another bottom line.

Boring Problems eased for area residents

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We would say we knew the water table was high. Every time it rains we get a couple of breaks. The clay layer was just something we didn't expect.

"It's hard to get into places to work because of things built on easements. It's like that everywhere. There are places in the city where the easement is only five feet wide, and that's a real problem."

"But it's not my job or place to go out and tell people to move things and tear things down. That's the legal staff's job. I've got to work with people."

Grassroots

Upcoming meetings of Quad-City Area governmental taxing bodies include:

Granite City Council, 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, City Hall, 2000 Edison Ave.

Madison City Council, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, City Hall, 1539 Third St., Madison.

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'Jekyll-and-Hyde' Warriors sweep Lancers



(Staff photo by Dave Whaley)

HOT-HITTING CHRIS RYAN sneaks in safely behind a pickoff attempt.

By Dave Whaley
Executive sports editor

GRANITE CITY In the up-and-down world of Warrior baseball, the skies were again sunny on Thursday.

Just 48 hours removed from their worst performance of the year, the Warriors (2-1 in the Southwestern Conference, 7-5 overall) turned the tables and claimed a double-header sweep from the Belleville East Lancers at Varsity Field. They took the opener 4-3 and the nightcap 5-3.

"We're Jekyll and Hyde," said Bob Stegemeier, the master of this monster. "Tuesday night have been a good thing for this team. We took the day off Wednesday. It might just be good to get away from it for 24 hours or so, although I understand a few of them came out and took batting practice on their own."

Granite City was still licking its wounds from a horrendous 10-0 loss at Alton on Tuesday when John Moad took the mound in the opener against the Lancers. The senior righthander threw another good game, gaining strength as the game went on in raising his record to 4-0.

A two-out error in the seventh allowed the Lancers (1-2, 6-6) to tie the game, but that just allowed Craig Dippel a chance to

FIRST GAME

BELLEVILLE EAST	101	000	1-3	6
GRANITE CITY	210	110	1-4	7

BELLEVILLE EAST: Abel 1B, Velino 2B, Dreyer 1B, RB; Schwartz 1BB, Wells 1B, 3B; Simon 1B, LF; Dreyer 4B, 1B; H. 4B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 7B, 8B, 9B; Ryan 2B, RB; Kraus 2B, 3B; Moad 7 (in), 1B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 7B, 8B, 9B.

SECOND GAME

BELLEVILLE EAST	000	100	0-3	5
GRANITE CITY	000	131	4-5	8

BELLEVILLE EAST: Knudsen 2B, 3B; Boyer 1B; Bonville 1B, RB; Simon 1B, RB; LP-Dip (6 inn); H. 4B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 7B, 8B, 9B; Ryan 2B, RB; Moad 7 (in), 1B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 7B, 8B, 9B; Ryan 2B, RB; Moad 7 (in), 1B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 7B, 8B, 9B.

be a hero — and to rearrange his bridge work.

With one out in the Warrior seventh against Lance starter Gary Beggs (2-1), Dippel ripped one into the gap in right-center.

"It was thinking triple all the way," Dippel said.

He was still thinking triple as he pulled into third. But the relay got away from shortstop David Boyer as Boyer slipped to the ground behind second base. Dippel got his engine started again and went headfirst on a fairly close play to score the winner. He might never have touched the plate.

"I don't think he had to because the catcher was blocking the plate without the ball," Stegemeier said.

Dippel's slide was a bloody one as he gained a nasty cut inside his mouth. He — and his parents — feared that years of wearing braces had just been ruined. But the cut appeared to be more on the inside of the lip.

"I don't know why I had been struggling at the plate," Dippel said as he applied ice to his mouth. He had been 0 for 3 before the triple. "I think I had a little loop in my swing."

"I think I could have scored easier than Craig did," Stegemeier said. "I was farther down the line waving him home."

Dippel's heroics were a reprieve for Moad and third baseman Brian Dix. The Warriors took a 3-2 lead into the seventh, but Boyer walked with one out and moved to second on Eric Abel's bloop hit over Dix head. Moad fanned Charlie Velino to move within one out of the win, but Joel Dreyer's bounce went right through Dix and the tying run scored.

"I got a little wild in the last inning to give them a chance," said Moad, who is the first area pitcher to get four wins. "I was a little down after the error, but I made it easier when we came back and win."

The Lancers scored in the first on Dreyer's RBI hit, but Granite City came back with two of its

own. Chris Nolan singled and two walks filled the bases with two outs for shortstop Chris Ryan. He singled to right to score two runs. After a slow start, Ryan now leads the team in RBIs with 13. He would have more to say in the nightcap.

The Warriors made it 3-2 in the second when Kory Burtog walked and stole two bases before Nolan singled him home. The Lancers got one back in the fourth on Velino's double and Mike Schwarz's sacrifice fly, but Moad hung on until the seventh. All three of his strikeouts came in the late innings.

"He was really throwing hard in the last inning," catcher Joe Wallace said.

"You would hope the break we got in the top of the inning might be a good sign for us," said Lancers coach Larry Pattal, whose team lost four games by five runs this week. "But the kid hit the ball well for them and they got a nice game from Moad. I just hope our confidence level stays up."

Mark Begado's confidence level took a quantum leap in the nightcap as he pitched a complete-game victory for his first win of the season. He had been hit hard, but pitched a fine game

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DePew finally signs to play pro baseball

By Dave Whaley
Executive sports editor

A year later than he had hoped, Daren DePew has turned pro.

DePew, a 1983 graduate of Granite City North, signed a professional contract with the Boise (Idaho) Hawks of the Class A Northwest League this week. He will join the team probably in the middle of May.



Daren DePew

"I wanted to get drafted last year (in the major league draft) and I was disappointed when I didn't," DePew said. "But I worked hard and stayed in shape and I never gave up on having a pro career."

DePew was an All-Region catcher who led SIUE to back-to-back trips to the NCAA Division II South Central Regional Tournament before moving onto the SIUE coaching staff this season. He was working as a hitting instructor and with the Cougar catchers as well as helping develop a young pitching staff.

"But DePew was dreaming of returning to the active ranks and that came true on Wednesday."

"They contacted coach (Gary Collins at SIUE) last winter and I talked with them a little," DePew said of the Boise organization. "Then I heard from them in January and went out there two weeks ago."

DePew said there were 55 prospective pros at the tryout and seven were signed. He hopes to do a lot of catching — and hitting — for the Hawks this summer and perhaps catch the eye of some major league organization.

He also ended his career ranked fourth in doubles with 29, and his 17 two-baggers last year ranked second in the single-season category.

Prior to joining the Cougars, DePew earned All-State honors in high school and worked his way on to the bronze medal-winning North squad at the U.S. Olympic Festival.

As a football player, DePew set an Illinois high school record with a 54-yard field goal, earned a scholarship to Illinois and was a member of the Illini football team that won the Big 10 Conference and earned a trip to the Rose Bowl in 1983.

"I'll still be coaching and going to school until I leave next month," DePew said.

"I get letters every year from teams looking for players," Collins said. "I don't respond that often, but Daren is one player I thought should get a look. We were all disappointed when he didn't get drafted last year and we're happy to see him get a chance now."

They have a short season, about 70 games," he said. "But it's pretty country out there and I'm looking forward to it."

DePew was married on Jan. 30, so he's starting a new life in more ways than one. He had a .386 career average at Granite City North from 1980-83, including a .400 average in 1983. At SIUE, he ranks among the career leaders in five offensive categories. He joined the Cougars after two years at the University of Illinois, capping his senior season in 1987 by leading the Cougars to a school-record 40 victories while hitting a team-high .382.

He also posted 29 RBIs, a team-high 17 doubles, three triples, four home runs and 40 runs scored.

A two-time All-Region selection, DePew also joined shortstop Jim Caselton as the only two Cougars on last year's roster to start all 56 games.

DePew posted a school-record 75 hits last year. His two-year batting average of .350 ranks as the fifth best in SIUE history.

With his signing, DePew becomes the fourth member of last year's team to ink a professional contract.

Pitchers Tony Duenas (Cubs), Pete Drelkus (Twins) and John Groennert (Reds) are currently working their way through the minor leagues. Groennert also started last year in the Northwest League with the independent Salt Lake City Trappers and helped them gain fame with a record 29-game winning streak.

DePew's signing also brings the number of former SIUE baseball players who have signed professional baseball contracts to 23, with Madison native Champ Summers and Dennis Werth having reached the major leagues.

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Lady Warriors play well, but lose to Lancers

By Don Daniels

Correspondent

BELLEVEILLE — The Lady Warriors gave a few clues as to what this season may hold for them in their first game against conference rival Belleville East.

The Lady Warriors didn't quite have the complete answer, though, as the Lancers came away with a hard-fought 4-1 victory. But the game did show that the Warriors were ready to play even with the usually dominating Lancers.

"We had to be real happy about this game," said coach Jim Davis. "We have a team with five sophomores starting on the field. Anytime you play one of the Belleville teams — especially with the youth we have — and play well, it has to be a confidence builder. We played sound fundamental ball and we just fell a little short."

The Warriors let it be known right from the first inning that they came to play. Kim Pawlak got an infield single with one out and Jennifer Cavness lashed a single to right. Michelle Bequette followed that with an opposite-field hit of her own. Pawlak was sent home on the plate, but was nailed at the plate on a perfect throw from the Lancer right fielder.

Both teams scored in the third, with the Warriors drawing first blood. Sophomore Carrie Bohnenstiel reached on an error to lead off. Tracy Gaudette bunted sacrificed and almost-reached safely herself. Bohnenstiel moved to third on a Pawlak groundout and Cavness followed with a two-out, line drive single to right to put the Warriors ahead 1-0.

Thursday was clearly Tammy LeVault's sharpest pitching performance thus far this season. She allowed the Lancers only six hits, with several of those being pop flies that just fell in.

LeVault's performance was her best pitching of the season," said Davis. "It was probably the team's best game of the season, too."

LeVault's main enemy in this game was the walk. The senior handed out seven of them, two of which ended up being the winning runs. The Lancers used a short pop-fly single, two walks and a bloop double that cleared the bases to score three in the third. East St. Louis picked up a run in the fourth on a wild pitch. But the Lady Warriors didn't give up.

Leading off the sixth, Pawlak laid a bunt down that spun and died ten feet down the third-base line. Cavness then walked and Pawlak was stealing second. Pawlak was safe at second and took third on the overthrow. Cavness followed with another steal of second. Bequette walked, then LeVault hit one on the ground to the third baseman, who threw home to easily force out Pawlak. Lisa Mills was up next and the same thing happened. Mills hit it to third, but this time Cavness was out on a very close play at the plate.

Katie Hull came up next. Traci Nunez was able to strike her out to stop the Warriors' bigest threat.

Gaudette walked in the seventh and Pawlak singled, but the Lancers put away the victory by striking Bequette on a grounder and ending the game.

NOTES: Granite City is 2-4 overall and 1-2 in conference play. East St. Louis is 3-2 and 2-1 in conference. The Warriors host Belleville West on Tuesday and East St. Louis on Thursday. In other conference action Thursday, Kim Johnson pitched a one-hitter as West (3-0, 0-3) routed East St. Louis (0-3, 0-2) 25-0. Angie Gehard got her second straight no-bitter for Collinsville as the Kahoks (3-0, 5-0) blanked Alton (0-3, 0-5) 13-0.

Park district has Cardinal tickets

The Granite City Park District will sponsor four trips to Busch Stadium to see the Cardinals play this year.

The first game will be on May 25 against the Cincinnati Reds. It will be a 12:35 p.m. game and the bus will leave the Wilson Park Ice Rink at 11 a.m. Tickets will go on sale at the Wilson Park Office on April 19 at 8 a.m. The cost of the tickets will be \$4. The bus will cost \$3 per person. Two buses will be used to transport those purchasing tickets.

The tickets will be available to people over 65 who are park district residents. A waiting list will be used for non-residents in the event all tickets are not sold to residents.

The other games for which tickets have been obtained are June 29 against the Montreal Expos at 7:35 p.m., July 20 against the Los Angeles Dodgers at 12:35 p.m. and Aug. 4 against the Philadelphia Phillies at 12:35 p.m. All games are senior citizens specials. The special tickets for those games go on sale will be posted in the Wilson Park Office.

Sweep

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as the Warriors played mostly younger players. All seniors were excused for the nightcap. John Van Buskirk came up from the sophomore team to play center field.

East got two in the second on a hit, a walk, an error and John Sinev's hit. They added another in the fourth on Josh Bovi-nette's RBI hit. But the Warriors came back in their fourth against Shane Opat (0-2) and again Ryan was in the middle of it. He singled and Wallace walked before Terry Stanley bunted them over. Keith Matlock got a sacrifice fly to break the ice.

Kurt Hodges started the winning rally in the fifth with an infield hit. Jeff Kohler bunted him over and Nolan again came through with an RBI hit. Ryan then sent a screamer into the right-center gap and circled the bases behind Nolan for his first home run of the season to give the Warriors a 4-3 lead.

"Ryan is really a competitor," Segemeier said. "He hit the ball the way it has to be done, to the opposite field."

Granite City got an insurance run in the sixth on Stanley's hit. Matlock's sacrifice and Burton's hit to right. Begando escaped trouble in the sixth when the Nolan-Ryan combination turned a double play. Then the junior lefty got in two-out trouble in the seventh.

He got Ron Boyer to hit a little pop fly back over Begando's head. But the ball oozed out of his glove for an error.

"I looked up and saw the 'W,'" Begando told his teammates. Lee Swain reached on an error.

by Matlock at third and Tim Warchol drew a walk to load the bases. But Denny Knolhoff grounded to Nolan at second for a forcet out to end the game.

"Yogi's saying is sure true with this team," Segemeier said. "We always make it come down to the last out."

Begando's earned run average had been in the stratosphere, but he went all the way to raise his record to 1-2.

"We had a little talk with him," Segemeier said. "I told him when he wanted to pitch to let me know. He said he wanted to go today. He had much better command of his pitches. We just need to work on his fielding."

Begando allowed five hits while striking out four and walking five. Only one of the three runs he allowed was earned. **NOTES:** Belleville West pounded East St. Louis 10-1 on Thursday and Collinsville out-lugged Alton 13-1. The Maroons are 3-0 in the conference and 6-0 overall after Norm LeBlanc had a grand slam and five RBIs as the Flyers fell to 1-2 in the league and 6-3 overall. Al Futrell had four RBIs for the Kahoks as they moved to 1-2 in the SWC and 2-3 overall. Alton fell to 1-2 in the league and 3-7 overall.

The Warriors made it three in a row with a 6-3 win Friday at Cahokia. Nolan had a three-run, inside-the-park homer in the second inning. Chris Hamsey had an RBI triple and Moad broke out of a slump with a two-run single. Tim Black (2-0) had another good game, again pitching all seven innings and allowing seven hits. They were 8-5 heading into Saturday's consolation bracket of the Hazelwood Central Tournament.

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